



Chipper Day Grant

Projects will be ranked by Fire Safe Marin’s selection committee according to the following criteria:

Overall criteria:

1. Projects that will reduce fuel conditions in areas of high risk for extreme wildfire behavior.
2. Projects that take place in areas that have a high number of SOD dead trees.
3. Fuel reduction projects that have an impact on fire risk at the neighborhood scale.
4. Neighborhood projects that show solid commitments from as many participants as is possible.
5. Projects that help those who are elderly, disabled and low-income.
6. Projects that have long term maintenance plan.

Extra Points for: 1. Matching funds 2. Projects which have considered means for reuse of woody biomass. For further information contact: Lynne Osgood, FireSafe Marin Coordinator 415-446-4420.)

Project criteria:

1. Maximum fuels reduction for minimal investment
2. Projects that result in complete compliance for defensible space requirements under state law (PRC 4291).
3. Projects that show a plan for vegetation maintenance into future.
4. Projects that lead to further fire safe activities; i.e., neighborhood educational projects; formation of firewise neighborhoods; formation of disaster planning committees, etc.
5. Projects that have well defined tasks and strong commitments from those who will take responsibility for them—i.e. reporting, communicating with grant administrator, etc.

We do not expect that all projects will satisfy all of the criteria; points will be awarded for each criterion. The more points you have, the higher you score, so keep the criteria in mind as you fill out your application.

Program funds and Defensible Space:

Funds can be used to remove fuels from the 100’ defensible space radius that surrounds homes and to clear vegetation back from access roads. We will expect that funds will be spent on projects that, in the end, will result in one or more homes that meet defensible space requirements set forth in Public Resource Code 4291.

To make sure that you have a good understanding of what “Defensible Space” means feel free to contact Lynne Osgood (Phone: 415-446-4420 or E-mail: info@firesafemarin.org) or your local fire department representative for information. Important hint: Defensible Space does NOT mean Moonscape!

Requirements:

Provide a final report within two weeks after project completion.

Provide FSM with Photos: before/after.

Mail final progress report to: FireSafe Marin 555 Northgate Drive, San Rafael, CA 94903